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Baseball League Faces  
Strikeout by a Woman  
Movement to Oust Prexy  
Wilson May End in Split

THE NEGRO NATIONAL  
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the league has tottered  
prosperity because of un-  
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experienced in the particular  
eld, merely because he had been  
uccessful in other endeavors. No  
erson unfamiliar with the weird  
nd tricky machinations under  
which the league labored in its  
ormative years could satisfac-  
rily steer it through a clear  
ourse now.

There was so much insin-  
cerity, shady politics, daffy  
and daring doings in league  
operations in the past that  
it is small wonder that club  
owners object to entrusting  
the loop business to outsiders,  
and particularly when they  
are rank amateurs inasmuch  
as the sport is concerned.

WILSON MADE MONEY  
IT IS STRANGE THAT the  
metropolitan bloc wants to put  
Wilson out at this time, too, be-  
cause in 1939, the first year of  
Wilson's presidency, the league  
or the first time in the history  
of its organization is solvent.  
Believe it or not, it is solvent to  
he extent that all debts have  
been paid, all ball players re-  
ceived full salaries, and a sizeable  
balance is in the bank. And,  
furthermore, they cleared up  
several obligations of previous  
administrations.

So, it seems that somebody is



AfroSport

FEBRUARY 10, 1940 The Man Without a Vote Is Often the Man Without

Louis in Trim for

Union Runs  
Win Streak  
Up to Nine

RICHMOND—With sport writ-  
ers all over the country recom-  
mending the Virginia Union Uni-  
versity cage varsity for a berth  
in the Madison Square Garden  
Collegiate tournament, the Pan-  
thers continued their record-  
breaking triumphs, Friday night,  
taking the St. Paul Tigers, 46-36,  
in an exciting contest.

Without the services of Cap-  
tain (Soupy) Campbell, star for-  
ward, Coach Hucles's Unionites  
added their ninth straight win.

Not until four minutes of play-  
ing time remained did the sensa-  
tional Panthers really show their  
superiority.

With the score deadlocked at  
33-33, the accurate Panthermen  
compiled 13 points to the visitors'  
3 to put the game on ice.

Tigers Tie Count  
At the half, the Panthers led  
20-16, but the ferocious Tigers  
threatened, making a bid at 26-  
25, after Waters's two field goals,  
swished through the rim. Right  
on the heels of the locals, the  
St. Paulers finally tied the count  
at 33-33, with 4 minutes to go.

Here a sizzling Panther scoring  
drive smothered Chester Smith's  
ravaders and the Unionites forged  
ahead by a comfortable margin.  
The game ended at 46-36, with  
the Huclesmen freezing the ball.  
Waters, St. Paul's guard, was  
the visitors' high-point man, gar-  
nering 15 points. Wheat and  
Bryant, forwards, were outstand-  
ing by their floorwork.

Although Melvin Clover, Pan-  
ther guard, held the scoring hon-  
ors, compiling 15 points, the en-  
tire Union varsity starred.

Union takes to the road, this  
week, playing Lincoln at Phila-  
delphia, Friday, and Howard in  
Washington, Saturday.

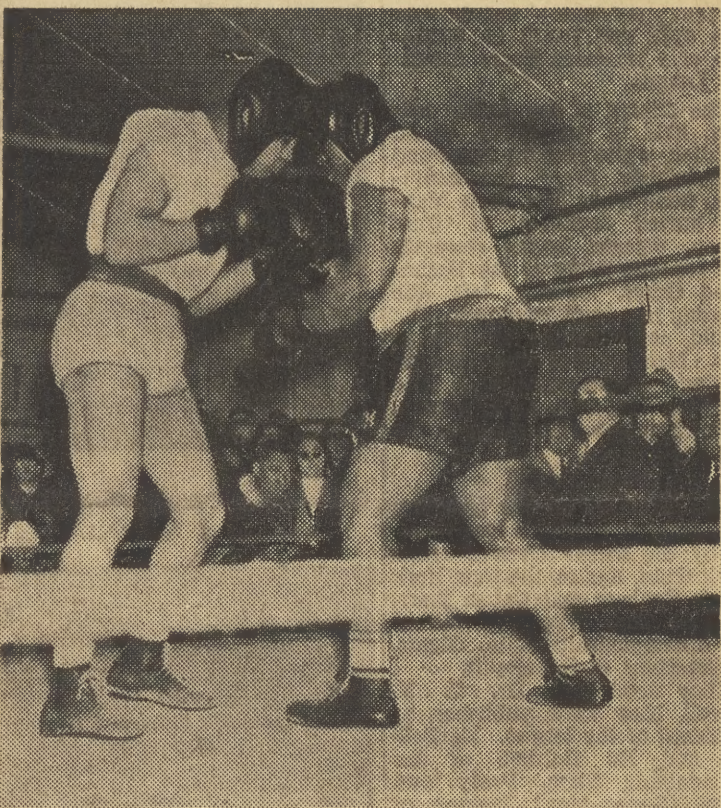
The box score follows:

Union	G	F	P	St. Paul	G	F	P
Atkins	0	0	0	Wheat	2	1	1
Hayes	0	0	1	Marshall	0	0	4
Daughtry	4	0	3	Bryant	1	1	3
Hyde	3	1	2	Gaitor	2	3	2
Knighiton	3	3	4	Waters	7	1	2
Kennedy	0	1	0	Cave	1	2	3
Fraser	2	1	1	Goode	1	0	3
Glover	6	3	3				
Totals	18	10	15	Totals	14	8	18

Great Lakes Quint  
Downs Pontiac Five

DETROIT, Mich.—The Great  
Lakes court quint, Friday, defeat-  
ed the Pontiac team, 47-28, at the  
YMCA gym.

The winners, led by Young,  
who recently joined the team,  
were ahead at half time, 30-13,  
and maintained a comfortable  
margin.



Joe Louis, world heavyweight champion, shown as he puts the finishing touches to his training grind for the Arturo Godoy fight Friday night at Madison Square Garden. Joe is sparring with Jim Howell, 230-pound sparmate, at his Pompton Lakes camp.

Champ Near Peak  
in Final Workout

By HARRY B. WEBBER

POMPTON LAKES, N.J. —

Reaching the end of his training  
for Friday's battle in the Garden  
with Arturo Godoy, Joe Louis  
was asked Sunday what he  
thought of Gene Tunney's con-  
clusion that Jack Dempsey would  
have beaten Louis in his prime.  
The champion answered:

"Dempsey fought fifteen years  
ago. If he was fighting today I  
would beat him like all the oth-  
ers. I don't dodge anybody."

"Another Galento"

In fine trim, Louis was asked  
what he thought of Godoy. He  
answered:

"Godoy is just like another  
Galento."

On Sunday, he let himself go  
and extended himself with Jim  
Howell, Clarence Brown and  
Emil Shultz — six rounds in all.  
He scaled 204 pounds. A crowd  
of 800 watched he and Howell  
slug it out. The crowd rose to  
its feet as this continued.

His session with Clarence  
Brown of Chicago was also a fast  
one.

Later when he was punching  
the bag his blows were so vigor-  
ous that the bag burst. Another  
was quickly substituted.

The crowd was so large that  
many had to be turned away. The  
gym holds only so many, the

crowd filled every inch of avail-  
able space.

When he finishes up Wednes-  
day Joe will have trained 14 days  
and boxed 27 rounds with spar-  
mates.

Although the Louis plan of  
strategy is almost certain to lead  
to a quick victory, there are sev-  
eral forces working against this.  
One is the paying fans who have  
several times in the past ex-  
pressed disappointment at taking  
their expensive seats only to  
watch a minute's boxing and then  
the end.

The boxing game is not so pure  
that its directors would not lend  
an ear to this complaint and have  
the fighters go through a few  
rounds in any case.

Want Long Fights

The second element against a  
brief fight is the fight movie  
companies. They can't make  
money when the reels are too  
short. They want more action  
and longer action so they can  
have well rounded and exciting  
films.

As the Louis camp prepares to  
break up, reporters looking for  
something to write about have  
concluded that Joe is growing  
more conservative than ever. He  
is not doing the more sensational  
things he used to do in his pri-  
vate life. Marva never comes  
into camp any more to liven up  
things.

Joe continues to take up a few  
harmless pursuits such as Chinese  
checkers and a little photography.  
So there is not much to write a-  
bout save that he boxes so many  
rounds one day and so many an-  
other.

Would Make News

It might not be amiss to say  
that another defeat would not  
hurt the champion. He is in bet-  
ter shape than ever and to men-  
tion even the word defeat is quite  
illogical. However, at least the  
writers would have something to  
keep them occupied. The "B"

BALL

SCHEDULES AND RESULTS

RESULTS

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Morgan, 46; Virginia State, 40  
Union, 46; St. Paul, 36  
N.C. State, 48; St. Augustine, 23  
Shaw, 40; St. Augustine, 26  
Lincoln, 51; Virginia State, 50  
A. and T., 54; Lincoln, 37  
Lincoln, 47; Hampton, 32  
A. and T., 53; St. Augustine, 12  
Union, 46; Hampton, 42  
36; Shaw, 12



# Split Looms in Baseball League

## Metro Clubs Try to Oust Tom Wilson

By ART CARTER  
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PHILADELPHIA — Unable to reach an accord on the election of officers, the Negro National League's annual meeting broke up in a state of confusion here Friday, with indications that the current six-team organization may split and result in formation of a ten-team Negro American League.

The climax of the stormy session, held in the offices of Ed Gottlieb, white booking agent and Philadelphia Stars' representative, came when Mrs. Effie Manley hurled epithets at Cum Posey, veteran league secretary and representative of the Homestead Grays. Posey left the meeting in a huff, vowing that he would never return as long as Mrs. Manley was the Newark Eagles' representative and charging that she, as a woman, took advantage of her sex in the deliberations.

### Name Powell

Mrs. Manley and her husband, Abe Manley, headed a bloc formed by the three Greater New York clubs, Eagles, the New York Black Yankees and Cuban Stars, to oust Tom Wilson, owner of the Championship Elite Giants, as president of the circuit.

They nominated Dr. C. P. Powell, New York publisher, as president of the league. Ed Bolden and Ed Gottlieb of the Philadelphia Stars, Posey and Rufus (Sunny-Man) Jackson of the Homestead Grays and Wilson sought re-election of the incumbent president, thereby throwing the vote into a 3-all deadlock. Argument over the voting precipitated Posey's departure from the session and subsequent discontinuance of deliberations.

### Attack Gottlieb

In a fiery speech, Mrs. Manley insisted that her reasons for seeking dismissal of Wilson were based on the league president's approval of an agreement whereby Gottlieb, as a private booking agent, collects 10 per cent on promotion of games in Yankee Stadium, the loop's most profitable promotions.

She assumed the position that the league was a colored organization and that she wanted to see all of the money kept within the group. Backers of the Wilson regime, however, pointed out that the plan to pay Gottlieb for his work was voted 5-1 last year with Mrs. Manley present and had worked with such satisfaction that every team in the league made money for the first time in the history of the organization.

They further contended that if the rate was too high, the matter could easily be straightened out with Wilson as president.

### To Meet Again

Failure to reach an agreement on the issue caused discontinuance of the meeting, with the understanding that another session will be held in Pittsburgh on February 23. Originally, the meeting was set for Chicago but changed the next day.

This meeting will be held prior to the joint meeting with the Negro American League scheduled for Chicago on February 24 and 25. Dr. J. B. Martin, president of the American loop, personally extended the invitation for the joint meeting and proposed dates for the annual East-West game as August 18 or 25. The game will be held in Chicago.

### To Play Series

Both leagues agreed to abandon the half schedules and play a straight season with the champions of each circuit meeting for the colored world championship in September. The length of the titular play-off series, five or seven games, will be decided at the joint session.

Controversy over Gottlieb's percentage dominated the meet-

## BASEBALL MOGULS DISAGREE



## STORMY PETREL



MRS. EFFIE MANLEY, co-owner of the Newark Eagles, may be smiling in the photo above, but during the sessions of the Negro National Baseball League which convened in Philadelphia last week, she proved to be a stormy petrel over the league's methods of booking the teams. Mrs. Manley is a resident of Newark, N.J.

Baseball moguls of the Negro National League descended on Philadelphia last week for their annual meeting of the year which proved to be everything but a love fest. Some of the members who attended the meetings are, left to right (seated):

Martin Weintraub, white, assistant booking agent, Philadelphia; Dr. J. B. Martin, Memphis, Tenn., president of the Negro American League; Ed Wilson, Baltimore, president of the Negro National League, and Ed Bolden, Philadelphia, owner of the Philadelphia Stars;

Standing: Jim Semler, New York; Ed Gottlieb, white, booking agent of the teams; Abe Manley, owner of the Newark Eagles; Alexander Pompez, owner of the New York Cuban Stars, and Rufus Jackson, owner of the Homestead Grays. Cum Posey, secretary-treasurer of the league, quit the meeting before the photo was made.

ing. It was pointed out, in Gottlieb's defense, that he had saved the league over \$3,000 last year and had obtained a reduction in the guarantee fee for Yankee Stadium.

### Unfair to Wilson

Jackson stated he thought it unfair to Wilson for team owners to attack the president as a means of solving another problem over which he has no control. After Jackson's talk another vote was taken, but it also resulted in a stalemate.

Controversy between Mrs. Manley and other club owners also raged over who was to vote for the clubs having dual representation in the meeting.